heroin and methaqualone has been declared as a 'Controlled Substance' under the NDPS Act and a regulation order has been issued to regulate the manufacture, distribution, sale, imports, exports and consumption of Acetic Anhydride. Controls have been imposed on the movement of the chemical within 50 Kms of Indo-Pak Border and 100 Kms of Indo-Myanmar Border under the Customs Act. Import and export of acetic anhydride has also been regulated.

Instructions have been issued to all enforcement agencies to maintain the utmost vigil and step up enforcement efforts under the stringent provisions contained in various Acts. Training is being imparted to officers to improve their effectiveness. A part of Indo-Pakistan border has been fenced. Vehicles and communication equipments have been provided to enforcement agencies. An all out drive has been launched against narcotics smugglers including very strict measures to control leakage of opium produced licitly in the licensed growing areas.

Revival of Sick Industries by BIFR

£ £3747. SYED SIBTEY RAZI : Will the MINISTER OF FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) have helped several Sick Industrial Companies for their revival under their rehabilitation scheme ;

(b) if so, the names of such companies helped during 1993 with terms and conditions ;

(c) whether the BIFR have also helped several public sector units for their revival under their rehabilitation scheme ;

(d) if so, the names of such units with terms and conditions set out under the scheme ;

(e) whether the BIFR takes any follow-up action ensuring that the units either in private sector or in Public Sector may function under the terms and conditions of rehabilitation scheme ; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY) : (a) to (d) The Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) has reported that as on 31-3-94 it has placed 448 sick industrial companies including two in the public sector on the revival path as per the provisions of the Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985. Under the Act, each case is considered on its own merits, the revival package and the respective terms and conditions including the time frame differ from case to case.

(e) and (f) The progress of implementation of revival schemes is reviewed by the BIFR periodically so as to take corrective action wherever called for.

Decline in Credit to Small Scale Industries

3748. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA : Will the MINISTER OF FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Naik Committee had recommended 20 per cent credit to small scale units out of the total credit earmarked for the industry ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the rate of credit for Small Scale Industrial units has come down from 16 per cent to 14 per cent in 1993 ; and

(c) if so, the reasons for this decline when these units have vast potential for exports and employment ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY) : (a) The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has reported that the Nayak Committee Recommendation as accepted by RBI, is to provide minimum level of working capital bank finance at 20% of the projected annual turnover to units enjoying aggregate fund based credit limits for amounts less than Rs. 1 crore.

(b) RBI has reported that there was no fall in the rate of credit for the Small Scale Industrial (SSI) units during 1993. The percentage of SSI advances to total

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